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## DOING WELL.

### NORTHERNERS AND THE WAR.

### TSINANFU AGAIN.

### Attempt At Capture From Another Direction.

### A NEW THREAT TO SHANTUNG CAPITAL.

Following the week-end news that the Northerners were not as badly off in Shantung as had been supposed, the latest reports indicate another attempt by the Nationalists to reach Tsinanfu, the provincial capital from a new direction.

Whereas the "Christian General's" Kuominchun cavalry has been marching from the south-west and Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalists from the South, other Nationalist units have now appeared to the east of Tsinanfu and, according to one source, to be astride the Shantung railway which Japan wishes to keep open.

Nothing more has been heard about the original Kuominchun-and-Nationalist combined march of last week. On other fronts, namely, the Chihli-Henan and Chihli-Shansi, the Northerners are doing well.

### CHIANG'S LOSSES.

War reports relating to operations on each front are summarised as follows:

#### SHANTUNG.

#### 10,000 Northerners Defeated.

Shanghai, To-day.

According to Japanese reports, Nationalist irregular troops at Mingshui severely defeated 4,000 Shantung (Northern) troops and drove them back to Chowtsu, and interrupted rail and telegraphic communications.

Fighting is going on in the vicinity of Lungshan to the west of Mingshui while Nationalists from Laiwu are advancing on Poshan, the coal-mine centre.—Reuter.

[Note: All the places mentioned are to the east of (i.e., nearer the coast than) Tsinanfu. From Tsinanfu, the Shantung railway runs east to Lungshan, Mingshui and then Chowtsu. Nationalists have advanced to this part of the railway from the south and the east of Shantung. The 4,000 Northern troops who were defeated have been driven away from Tsinanfu. Lungshan is only 20 miles east of Tsinanfu. Laiwu is south of Poshan, from which a branch line runs to the Shantung railway.]

#### Reinforcements for Nanking?

Kiukiang, Yesterday.

Small batches of troops are moving from here down the Yangtze River.—British Naval Wireless.

[Note: Yunnanese mercenaries have been going from Kiukiang to Chiang Kai-shek's aid. The latest to move may be reinforcements.]

#### Japanese Move Up.

Tokyo, Yesterday.

A message from Tsingtao states that communications have been interrupted owing to the Nationalists cutting the Shantung Railway at Mingshui, 40 miles east of Tsinanfu. Consequently, a company of Japanese infantry and a detachment of the telegraph corps have gone inland to Mingshui from Tsingtao.

The situation at Chefoo has improved with the arrival of a number of foreign warships.—Reuter.

#### Brigands Join In.

Peking, Saturday.

The report of the cutting of the Shantung Railway at Changtien is believed here to be premature, but foreign reports state that a Nationalist force is advancing from Laiwu toward Poshan whence a branch line runs to the main railway.

Forces under the brigand chief Liu Kuo-chi are also reported to be threatening the railway in concert with the Nationalists.—Nationalists.—Reuter.

#### Lack of Support.

Shanghai, Saturday.

The Nationalist advance has been stopped, at least temporarily, at Tai-an and the cavalry detachments which had reached the outskirts of Tsinanfu are being withdrawn owing to the lack of support.

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### SUIT FOR RENT.

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#### MR. RUTTONJEE WINS.

#### Acting Puine Judge's View On Tenancies.

In his first case on being appointed acting Puine Judge for the second time (shortly after his return from leave), Mr. P. Jacks said in the Summary Court this morning that monthly tenancies were every day occurrences in the Colony, with a month's notice to terminate.

Messrs. H. Ruttonjee and Son sued Mr. D. M. Browning of the Asiatic Petroleum Co. for \$120

being a month's rent in lieu of notice of a flat in Duddell-street.

Mr. A. el Arculli was for plain-

tiff and Mr. L. R. Andrews for defendant.

The case came up before the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan) and the following jury:—Messrs.

H. Goldenberg (foreman), A. A.

Alves, J. McKelvie, J. E. Norona,

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E. A. LEGGATT,  
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Hong Kong, 26th April, 1928.

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E. V. JESSEN,  
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Hong Kong, 26th April, 1928.

**NOTICES.**

**HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.**

**THE FOURTH EXTRA RACE MEETING** will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on SATURDAY, 6th May, 1928, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

The first bell will be rung at 2 p.m.

The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1 for all persons including Ladies.

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Bookmakers, Tic Tac Men, etc., etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Hong Kong, 30th April, 1928.

**NOTICE.**

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JULIUS MARCUS.

28th April, 1928.

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E. R. HALLIFAX,  
Colonial Secretary.  
27th April, 1928.

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### BENEVOLENT WORK.

#### POSITION OF LIVERPOOL ORGANISATION.

#### WELSFORD BEQUEST.

Several members of the Liverpool Shipbrokers' Benevolent Society, at the thirty-third annual meeting, in the Albany, became somewhat reminiscent. As a consequence some personal experiences of the late Sir Edward Bates and the late Mr. J. H. Welsford were introduced by Mr. A. Reid and Sir Percy Bates, the newly-elected president, much to the general amusement.

The meeting was presided over at the outset by Sir Frederick C. Bowring, who commented upon the excellency of the choice of a successor, and expressed the hope that his term of office might be as pleasant as that through which he himself had just passed.

The annual report, read by Mr. Moddrel, called attention to the fact that of the 77 beneficiaries on the books at the beginning of the year, no fewer than eight had passed away. As eleven others were assumed there were now 80 on the books, in addition to which temporary monetary assistance, &c., had been granted in other cases.

The sum of £12,985, which had been paid to beneficiaries, compared with £11,761 in 1926 and £9,487 during 1925. The society had, in certain instances properly assumed the obligations of firms supporting ex-employees unable to continue their employment in consequence of breakdown in health.

Particulars were given of a youth aged 17½, who, under the J. H. Welsford educational scheme, had his fees at public school partly paid by the society, and proceeding to Oxford on his own account, in a short time succeeded in winning an Open Exhibition of £30 a year at Queen's College for three years.

Reference was made to the death of Mr. H. E. Abbott, which occurred on April 26, after having acted as hon. auditor for 24 years, and the society had also lost by death the valued services of Mr. H. D. Bateson, who was described as their legal guide, philosopher, and friend. In conclusion, the report tendered thanks to various gentlemen, including Sir F. C. Bowring, for his three years' valuable and disinterested services.

Mr. Moddrel also presented the treasurer's account.

The president moved that the reports be adopted, paying a compliment to those responsible for their composition. The progress of the society from its initiation had been most gratifying. Beginning in a very small way, it had gone on until last year, largely owing to the benevolent bequest of Mr. J. H. Welsford; they had an income of over £17,000, and their invested funds were over £33,000. One sad note was that in the early days of the society there were 19

Mr. Welsford's Partner.

Sir Percy Bates in response, while he had not prepared any speech for that business meeting, declared that he thought he owed it to the society to come prepared with an explanation as to why, when he was first approached in regard to the office, he so readily assented. Until that day he did not quite realise the full extent to which the society was indebted to the late Mr. Welsford.

It might have escaped some of them that one of the business connections to which he succeeded on the death of his father, over 27 years ago, was what amounted to a partnership with the late Mr. J. H. Welsford, to a not unimportant extent.

Mr. Welsford in those days was a considerably older man than himself, and it was not at all times very easy to deal with him on partnership terms. They were both men of some individuality, perhaps he might even say of strong temper, and it could be imagined that in the trough of depression into which shipping fell in the early days of this century, what would happen between two such partners descending together into that trough.

Although they differed on many occasions, whatever terms they parted upon there was not the slightest malice or temper carried to their next meeting. "At bottom," he declared, "Mr. Welsford was one of the kindest and best hearted men I ever met. He knew the trials of the profession of shipbrokers and I think it was his kind heart plus his realisation of the trials that the profession can go through when things are really bad that led him to leave this really generous bequest to your

### OLD TIME FLEET.

#### FRESH LIGHT ON 1688 OPERATIONS.

#### A "PROTESTANT WIND."

(By John Drinkwater.)

It cannot be said that the reigns of James II. and William III. have been neglected by historians. Macaulay's five stout volumes alone would be enough to discredit such a view. And yet, closely as events in England from 1685 to

1702 have engaged the attention of specialists, they have never very deeply seized the imagination of the average Englishman who takes some interest in the chronicles of his country. Many readers who are reasonably well informed as to the Elizabethan story, the Civil Wars of the seventeenth century, the Commonwealth, and the Restoration, and have a speaking acquaintance at least with the eighteenth century and the Victorian era, would be at a loss to answer the most elementary questions about the Revolution of 1688. And yet this crisis, which constitutes the epic moment of the period to which we refer, was one of the most dramatic, as it was to be one of the most decisive, in English history.

By the beginning of 1687, it was clear that James II. was fixed on bringing the English people under a Catholic monarchy. If he had not said so in so many words, Protestant opinion in the country was none the less justified in concluding that this was his intention. For a hundred years Papism had been, rightly or wrongly, feared by the representative character of England as the gravest menace to English liberty.

The bit that James in his designs had made for the support of Sir Percy Bates re-elected president of the society of William of Orange had never for the coming year. While not been a very hopeful one. The intending to elaborate that theme, Dutch Prince, indeed, looked upon there was just one thing he would himself with some reason as the like to say, which he thought was a matter for mutual congratulation. He was sure a society was to be congratulated on securing a gentleman of Sir Percy Bates' eminence in the shipping world, to serve as its president, but he was equally sure that Sir Percy Bates was to be congratulated on being elected to the honourable position of president of that society.

Mr. Alex. Reid echoed the sentiment of Mr. Booth. They were singularly fortunate in securing Sir Percy, not only for his own qualities and achievements, but also because he was the scion of an old Liverpool firm which had come down to posterity with such an honoured name. Recalling his young days, he recounted the story told by a companion who, having had occasion to call on Sir Edward Bates to take a message which was evidently not to that gentleman's satisfaction, complained with ruffled dignity that Sir Edward had threatened to kick down the office stairs. (Laughter.) "That," said Mr. Reid, "was in the heroic days. I tell the tale not to cast any reflection on Sir Edward Bates and Sons, but to show the vigour and energy with which they prosecuted their business, and which undoubtedly led to the achievement of the results they got in the end. I am glad to say," he added, "Sir Percy Bates inherits those good qualities." (Renewed laughter.)

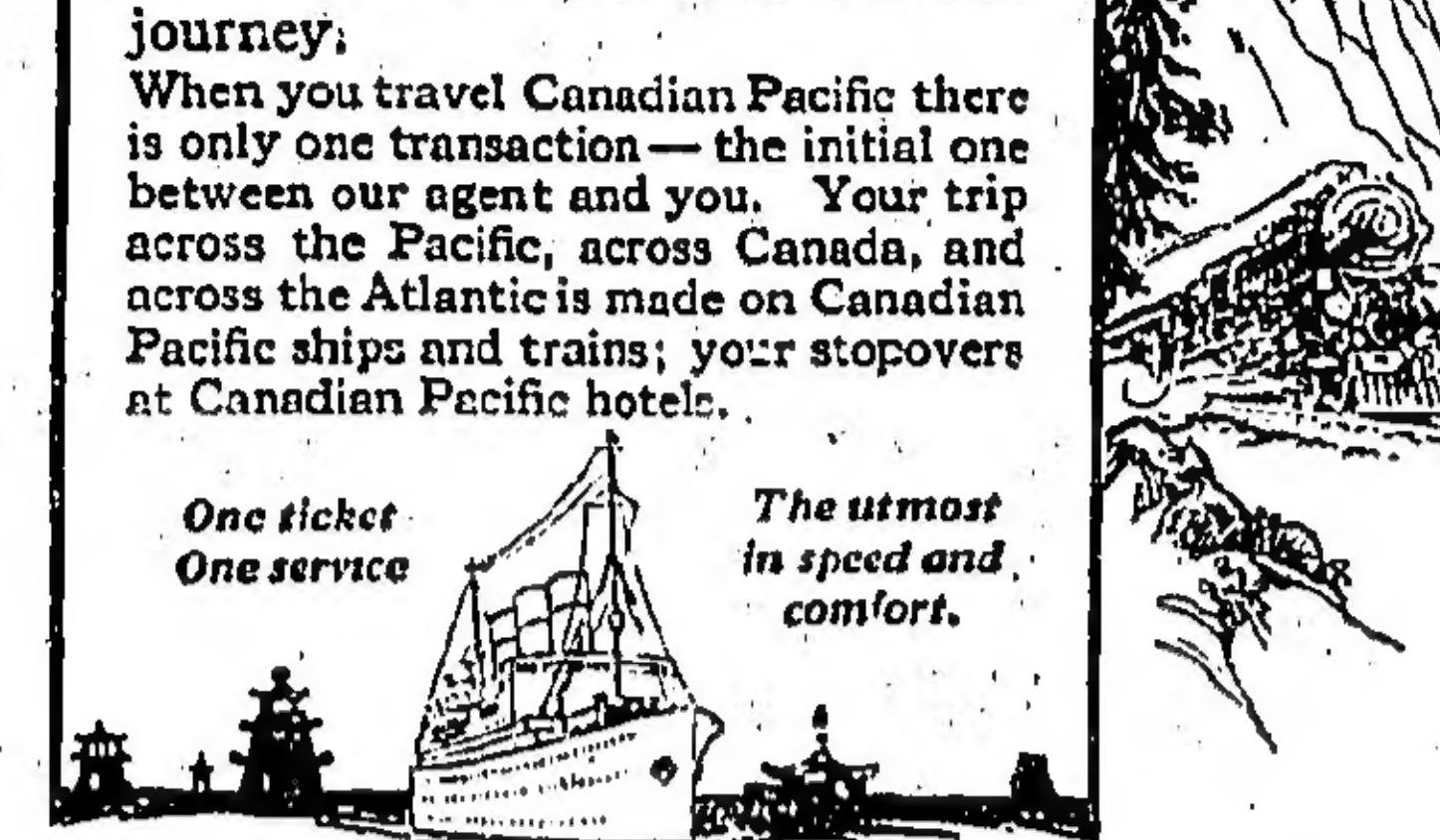
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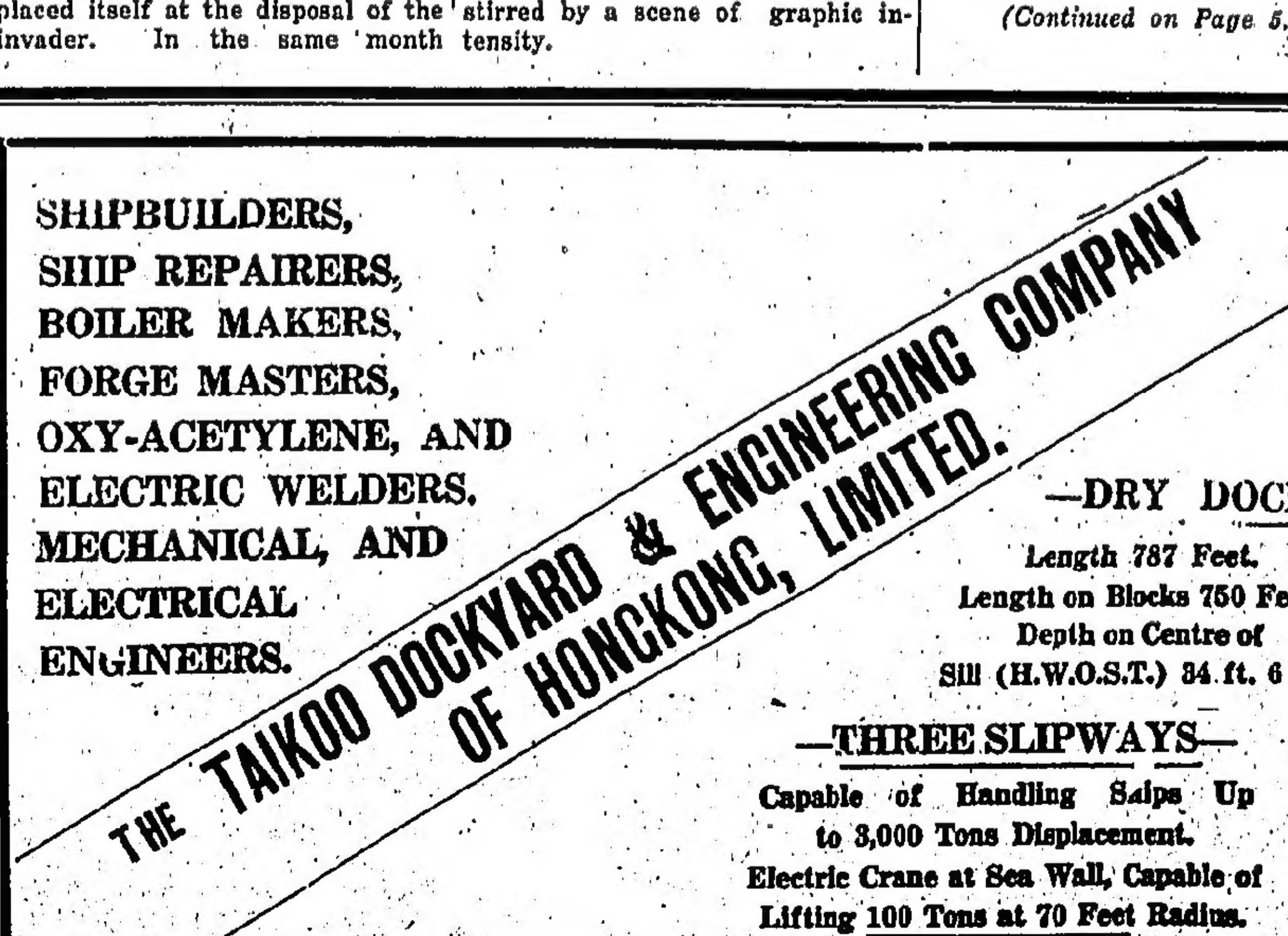
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### The Opposing Admirals.

William's fleet was commanded by an Englishman, Arthur Herbert, afterwards Lord Torrington, who had joined the Dutch service on being cashiered by James for opposing the repeal of the Test Act in 1688. The English commander was George Legge, first Baron Dartmouth. Dartmouth was a staunch, even a fanatical Protestant, and his experience at sea amounted to nothing much. But his loyalty to James was above suspicion, and it was this circumstance that elevated him to the command. The fleet was ordered by James, Samuel Pepys acting as his Naval Secretary, to manoeuvre in the neighbourhood of the Goodwin Sands, to strike at William's power if opportunity should arise, and in any case to intercept the Dutchman should he attempt to approach the English coast. There was more than a rumour of sedition in several of the English ships, sedition inspired by the hope of William's success. It was a circumstance that largely governed the choice of a commander, and in this respect

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Mr. O. L. Gray, an engineer with Hammond Engineering Company on route going to the Straits Settlements.

Mr. Will Richards and Mr. Paul Stock, retired oil men on a big game hunt that will take them into Saigon and French Indo-China.

Mr. P. E. Bhojraj and Mr. G. J. Watumull, Indian silk merchants en route to India by way of Hong Kong and Manila.

Mr. Benjamin V. Bush, with the Eastman Kodak Company of Rochester, New York, on a business trip to Manila.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Freider who are connected with Freider & Sons of Cincinnati, Ohio, on a business trip to Manila.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hamilton, the former engineer of San Jose California on route to Manila.

Dr. Francis J. Soule, a surgeon with the U.S. Geodetic Survey, the Department of Commerce, Manila, P.I.

Miss Beulah Wahlgren, the wife of a U.S. Marine Officer en route to Manila.

Mr. and Mrs. Sol Wertheim, round-the-world tourists from New York, travelling from Shanghai to Manila.

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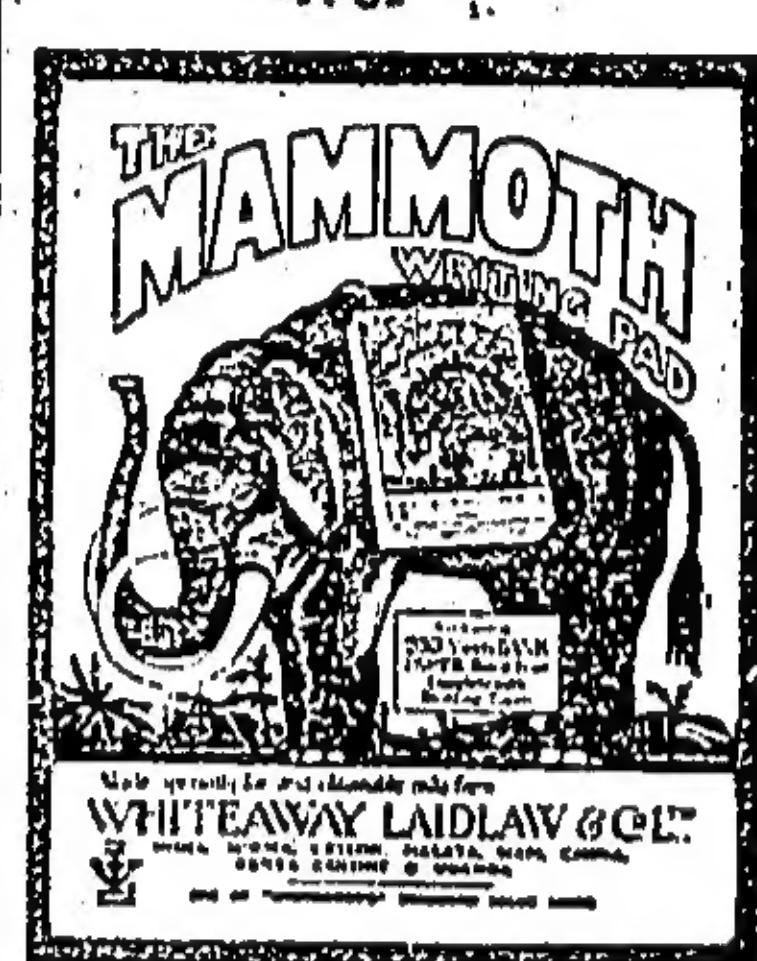
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### MARRIAGE.

PENN-FISHER.—On 26th instant at St. George's Church, Penang, Arthur Harry Penn to Irene MacPherson Fisher.

Hong Kong, Monday, April 30, 1928.

### RUBBER POLICY.

The unexpectedness of the British Government's decision to withdraw the restriction on exported rubber, which had been generally regarded throughout the Empire, ever since it had been introduced by the late Lord Stevenson, as having saved the industry from utter collapse, has been of such a nature that it is difficult to believe that with the close of last week's debate in the House of Commons the end of the upheaval has been reached. When one who is so highly competent as Mr. William Duncan, the newly elected chairman of the Rubber Growers' Association of London, to pass judgment on the new policy, does not hesitate to say that by its introduction \$250,000,000 has been lost chiefly by British subjects, one must in consequence regard the matter as one that must be considered from every point of view before it is too late. The new policy does not come into force until the end of the year, and though the Government are doubtless quite convinced as to its soundness still if in the interim further factors could be shown by which the Government's proposal to withdraw the restriction scheme would be at least untimely it is incomprehensible that the Government would not be willing to reconsider

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### MUL-YANGTSE BANDITS

Hankow, Saturday, In order to suppress the activities of bandits operating in this part of the Yangtze Valley, Liu Ho-tung has been appointed Anti-Bandit Commissioner. British Naval Wireless.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

### "CELEBRITIES ON TOAST."

To the Editor of the "China Mail":—Sir,—Appreciating as I do a few of the difficulties attending the production of a newspaper in this Colony, I have noted without sympathy a few of the sneers directed from the columns of the "Hong Kong Observer" at the alleged plagiarisms of certain other local papers—and have drawn my own conclusions as to the reasons for their being inserted.

It is therefore with some degree of satisfaction that I now draw your readers' attention to the latest spectacle of an "engineer host with his own petar."

In a recent number of the "Hong Kong Observer" there appeared an article entitled "Celebrities on Toast"—Mr. R. E. Lindsell, which your readers will discover, upon reading Volume 1 No. 1 of "London Calling," a home publication, to be an adaptation almost word for word of an article entitled "Celebrities on Toast" Jack Hulbert proposed by Dion Titheradge." In these circumstances it is not surprising that the sketch of Mr. Lindsell's character was as ludicrously out of drawing as it was in bad taste.

The Editor of the "Hong Kong Observer" has evidently forgotten the adage referring to dwellers in glass houses.

Enclosing my card,

I am, Sir,

Yours, etc.,

TRUTH.

Hong Kong, April 28, 1928.

### MR. JACK HULBERT.

#### "CELEBRITIES ON TOAST."

[By Dion Titheradge.] Below is the article to which a correspondent, "Truth," refers today:

Ladies and Gentlemen.—I am nervous. I am not good at toasting people. Toasting Mr. Jack Hulbert is the devil's own job—and I have no doubt it will be thoroughly attended to later on. Mr. Hulbert has had an extraordinary career—it started as soon as he was born.

One very severe summer's day in the latter years of the last century the cry of a baby was heard in the cathedral town of Ely. Mr. Hulbert was born in Ely; in fact, Mr. Hulbert was that baby. His anxious mother, noticing that there was something peculiar in the tone of this inarticulate effort, immediately sent for the doctor. There was no doubt that the baby was in pain, but the local practitioner made the startling discovery that his howls had a peculiar and barbaric rhythm. In modern music I believe we call it five-four time. His feet, too, beat an agonised tattoo on the end rail of his cot. The doctor predicted immediately that his young patient would die of syncope. The doctor was wrong—he has lived by syncope.

Apart from his feet, Mr. Hulbert has one other peculiarity. This also manifested itself in babyhood. It was just such another day when young Hulbert was lying in his pram swathed from top to toe in a sufficient amount of knitted wool to counteract the severity of the summer. Only one feature was visible. A friend of his mother's remarked admiringly that he had "his father's nose." That, too, was a mistake. She was looking at his chin.

With dancing feet and a chin like a sign-post, it was obvious Jack Hulbert would go far, and he set off early in life. His first stop was Cambridge. He went there to take a degree—in rowing, I think. However, he was soon thrown out of the College boat. The long, regular sweep of the oars was against his nature; he tried a scyphoned stroke, and kept on catching crabs.

His next move was to join the Footlights Club, and the rest of his time at Cambridge was spent in trying to persuade the University authorities to award a half-blue for dancing. He failed, of course, but it proves how much in advance of the times he has always been. Only last year a great American University gave us all Yale Blues.

Eventually, the Footlights Club came to London to give a performance and, when they returned to Cambridge, they left young Hulbert behind to start his theatrical career. He has been careering ever since.

Mr. Hulbert's hobby is work. He is never so happy as when he is playing in one of his own successful rescues with three matinees a week and, at the same time, as a side line, producing two musical comedies for London and three touring revues. He is, without doubt the finest dance-producer in the kingdom. Look what he has done for our chorus girls. They admit it. After one of his long rehearsals I have heard many a girl say she was absolutely done for. How they work under his direction!

and have always been reminded of

### "CAT BURGLAR."

SENTENCED AT KOWLOON TO  
FIVE MONTHS.

### SMART CONSTABLE.

Described as "regular cat burglar," a Chinese was charged this morning at the Kowloon Magistracy before Mr. Schofield, for the theft of a blanket and watch, and additional articles of clothing from 31, Nanking-road.

Inspectors Fallon stated that the accused had climbed the backyard wall, scaled up the drain pipe, gaining admittance to the room through a fan-light. The occupants of the house at the time were two women—who being aroused from their sleep by suspicious sounds, got up in time to see a darkly clad man make his escape through the fan-light.

In the early hours of morning in the district of Mongkok, a Chinese constable saw the accused with the stolen articles on him and detained him. He later proved to be the burglar.

His Worship was informed that defendant had committed a similar offence in the same district four months ago, using the same method of gaining admittance. Five months' hard labour was the sentence.

### H.I.M. THE EMPEROR.

#### BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS IN COLONY.

#### TWO RECEPTIONS.

The birthday of His Majesty the Emperor of Japan was celebrated by the local Japanese community yesterday. National flags were in evidence at every Japanese home and business places, which, of course, were closed in honour of the occasion. Japanese and other ships in harbour were "dressed."

Mr. Y. Murakami, the Japanese Consul-General held a reception in the morning at the Hong Kong Hotel, which was attended by members of the Japanese community as well as Government officials, members of the Consular Body and prominent foreign and Chinese residents.

His Excellency, Major-General C. C. Luard, C.M.G., C.B., proposed the toast of H.I.M. the Emperor of Japan. His Excellency the Governor was represented by Capt. A. J. L. Whyte, A.D.C. Others present were Sir Robert Ho Tung, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Mr. J. P. Braga, Lieut.-Col. Robertson and many heads of local foreign and Japanese firms.

### H.K. NAVAL VISIT.

#### GOVERNOR'S LETTER TO THE CONSUL-GENERAL.

In connection with the recent visit of the Japanese Fleet, the following letter has been sent by H.E. the Governor to H.E. the British Naval Commander-in-Chief:—

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's letter No. 2328 of April 17, 1928, regarding the recent visit of the Japanese Fleet.

The visit gave great pleasure to the Colony and I am glad that Your Excellency was able to be in Hong Kong when it took place.

I have, etc.,

(Sd) C. CLEMENTI, Governor, etc.

The following letter was sent by the Hon. Colonial Secretary to the Consul General for Japan:—

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of April 21, 1928, regarding the recent visit to the Colony of the First Squadron of the Imperial Japanese Navy.

His Excellency the Governor highly appreciates the sentiments to which you give expression and desires me to state that the visit has left most pleasant recollections to all in Hong Kong and has, I feel sure, contributed in no small degree to the traditional friendship of the Japanese and British nations.

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After all, why should one argue with Mr. Hulk? If the Casino didn't move, the camera did. It made a beautiful, purring noise, rhythmic and satisfying. That symbolises his life—organised, always working and well oiled. And that reminds me—"well oiled" suggests the object of this speech.

Ladies and Gentlemen, charge your glasses and drink to Mr. Jack Hulbert.

### AN EXPLORER.

JOHN T. CLIFTON PASSES  
AWAY.

### MISS EDWARD KLONDYKE.

Mr. John Talbot Clifton, Lord of the Manor of Lytham, and famous as a world-wide traveller and explorer, died recently at Santa Cruz de Tenorio, Canary Islands. In January last Mr. and Mrs. Clifton left their Scottish home, Kiladol Castle, Islay, on a journey of exploration through Africa, but when they had reached Bamako, in the French Sudan, Mr. Clifton became seriously ill. He was taken with all speed to the Canary Islands, where he underwent an operation about a fortnight ago. The body will be brought to England. He expressed a wish before he died to be buried at Lytham, where so many of his ancestors lie.

Mr. Clifton was born on Dec. 1, 1868, the eldest son of the late Mr. Thomas Henry Clifton, M.P., for North Lancashire, and Madeline Diana Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Sir Andrew Noel Agnew, eighth baronet. He was educated at Eton and Magdalene College, Cambridge. From his earliest days he showed that passion for travel which distinguished him to the end, and for which he was well fitted by his stature—6 ft. 2 in.—and general physique. By the time he was twenty he had been twice round the world, once in his yacht "Soprano," and then he became a cowboy in Wyoming. When he came of age he succeeded his grandfather, Colonel John Talbot Clifton, M.P. He undertook a series of explorations in Africa, and discovered a new route between Ujiji and the Victoria Nyanza. He was the first Englishman to navigate the Lena River, Siberia, and found on the shores of the Arctic Ocean a new species of wild sheep, some of which were presented to the British Museum and named Ovis Cliftoni. For twelve months he lived alone among the Eskimos far north of Hudson's Bay, trying to discover some of the remains of Sir John Franklin's ill-fated expedition.

By a chance he missed becoming the owner of gold mines in the Klondyke. In 1897 he travelled with a sledge into the Yukon, where he came across a small camp occupied by two or three miners. On his return to England he placed the samples of gold before certain friends in the City, offering at the same time to put up £5,000 as his share if two others with £5,000 were forthcoming. Nobody had ever heard of gold in the Klondyke, nor in the Yukon. Nobody wanted to put down money. The great rush began next year.

Mr. Clifton had also made trips

**PILOT'S STRIKE.****HANKOW ASSOCIATION MEMBERS.****MORE PAY WANTED.**

Hankow, Yesterday.  
All Middle (Yangtze) River pilots, members of the Hankow Pilot Association, have declared a strike to obtain more pay.—British Naval Wireless.

**LEAGUE'S BUDGET.****HALF MILLION GOLD FRANCS' INCREASED EXPENDITURE.****INDIAN OPPPOSITION.**

Geneva, April 29.  
The Budget estimated for 1929, providing about 8,500,000 gold francs, or an increase of over half a million compared with 1928, have provoked considerable debate.

The increase, which is due to a proposed augmentation of staff in the creation of sixteen new posts, was opposed by the employers' group.

Mr. Chatterjee, the Indian representative, moved a reduction of 150,000 francs under the heading of creation of new posts. He declared that the rapidly increasing expenditure of the various institutions of the League would only help to alienate people of distant countries like India.

Mr. Chatterjee's motion was strongly opposed by the workers' groups and was eventually rejected by 15 votes to 7.

The estimates were passed by seventeen votes, the remaining members abstaining.—Reuter.

**NOISY SCENES.****JAPANESE DIET MEMBERS IN HILARIOUS MOOD.****"VERBAL CONFLICTS."**

Tokyo, April 28.

After uproarious scenes the Opposition presented their motion of non-confidence in the Home Minister, whereupon the Diet was prorogued for three days. The Government is hoping in the meantime to win over sufficient support to defeat the motion.

The presentation of the motion has been preceded for the last few days by violent verbal conflicts and mutual recriminations, necessitating temporary adjournments for the purpose of restoring order.

Large numbers of spectators, from all walks in life, came from distant parts of the country to watch the proceedings. Many after waiting from early morning were turned away owing to lack of seating accommodation. Two members of the Diet, who were ill, were carried to the Diet by friends so as to be present for the voting.—Reuter.

**UNLUCKY GREECE.****H.M. THE KING EXPRESSES DEEP SYMPATHY.****HELP ACKNOWLEDGED.**

London, Yesterday.  
H.M. King George has telegraphed to the President of the Greek Republic expressing deep sympathy with the families of the victims of the earthquake at Corinth and those rendered homeless.

President Coundouriotis, in reply, expressed the gratitude of the citizens of Corinth and the Greek nation for the sympathy of His Majesty and for the assistance given by vessels of British fleet.—British Wireless Service.

**DEMONSTRATORS.****DISMISSED FROM ACADEMY.****CHINESE STUDENTS.**

Tokyo, Saturday.  
Twenty-five of 230 Chinese students of the Japanese Military Academy have been dismissed for creating disturbances in protesting against the despatch of troops to Shantung.—Reuter.

Geneva, April 29.—Animated discussion by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office has resulted in the adoption of a formula for the revision and modification of the Washington Hours Conventions. The Governing Body will decide whether the question shall be placed on the future agenda after the Body has investigated the hours and wages of all countries, both where the Convention has been ratified and where it has not.—Reuter.

**PAYS PENALTY.****MURDERER OF SHANGHAI LADY.****FORESTIER OUTRAGE.**

Shanghai, April 24.  
Justice took its vengeance yesterday against the Chinese house-coolie who murdered Mrs. E. T. Forestier in the kitchen of her home in Avenue Haig on November 2 last year.

The coolie, after being paraded through the streets of the Foreign Settlement with a large placard on his breast relating his crime and the penalty, was handed over to the Chinese military authorities yesterday afternoon and was shot by a firing squad.

Sentence of death was passed on the coolie, after his arrest near Ningpo a few days after the murder. Confirmation of the sentence was received by the Provincial Court from the Nanking Provincial Government yesterday morning, and the wheels of justice were quickly set in motion. So, would friendly relations between the two countries be strengthened and common interest promoted.—Reuter.

**CHINA & PORTUGAL.****CALL FOR NEW TREATY TERMS.****NATIONALIST NOTE.**

Nanking, Saturday.  
General Hwang Fu who yesterday despatched a note to the Portuguese Minister on the subject of the Chinese-Portuguese treaty of 1887, pointed out that inasmuch as the present conditions in both countries were entirely different from those of 40 years ago, the Nationalist Government believes the treaty which yesterday completed its 10-year term for the fourth time can no longer serve its purpose and should immediately be revised.

The Nationalist Government proposes that the Governments of China and Portugal should each appoint special representatives to conclude a new treaty on a basis of equality and mutual respect for territorial sovereignty with a view to meet the present conditions. So, would friendly relations between the two countries be strengthened and common interest promoted.—Reuter.

**WAUCHINOPU ATTITUDE.**

Peking, Saturday.  
It is understood that the Wauchinopu is adopting the same attitude as Nanking regarding the Chinese-Portuguese treaty, but up to now no official statement has been published.—Reuter.

The Wauchinopu notified the Portuguese Legation to-day that the Chinese-Portuguese treaty had terminated.—Reuter.

**EAGLE MENACE.****MEN KEEP WATCH WITH GUNS.**

Marlow, March 24.  
Armed farm workers are keeping a look-out for a large eagle which made its appearance in the Thames Valley at Little Marlow, Buckinghamshire, last Monday and has since killed two lambs.

Those who have seen it declare that it has a wing span of about 6 feet.

The eagle was seen to-day by farm workers employed by Mr. D. R. Randall, of West Thorpe Farm, Little Marlow, but they were able to frighten it away before it could make a raid on the flock. It has also been seen hovering over Spade Oak Farm, Bourne End, but has not yet killed any of the lambs on that farm.

Mrs. Robert Randall said to-night:

The eagle when first seen swooped on to the flock of sheep. By the time that we could summon help and frightened the bird away two lambs had been killed and torn to pieces.

Since then our workers have carried guns and have been told to shoot whenever the bird comes within range. It is a huge creature and is a terrifying sight when on the wing.

We believe locally that it has escaped from some private collection.

**Fierce And Determined.**  
Mr. D. Seth Smith, the curator of birds at the Zoological Gardens, Regent's Park, N.W., said to a "Daily Mail" reporter that the bird was probably a white tailed eagle. He added:

We have had reports during the past few months about eagles being seen in Bedfordshire and Essex. They probably refer to one bird and it is quite possible that the bird now reported is the same.

The white tailed eagle occasionally visits this country, generally in the winter, and usually keeps to districts near the coast. It feeds on carrion, poultry, and other birds, and on newly-born lambs, but is not likely to be dangerous to children.

The white tailed eagle, according to the natural history books, is a fierce and determined bird which attains a length of 38 inches in the case of the female, the male bird being about 4½ inches less. The wing span is about 7ft. It is an expert angler.

**FURTHER TIME.****CEYLON RUBBER DUTY DECISION.**

Colombo, Saturday.  
The finance committee of the Legislature has decided that further time is needed for consideration of the question of reduction in the export duty on rubber.—Reuter.

**QUAKE SHOCKS.****SAILORS INJURED AT CORINTH.**

Athens, Saturday.  
Two slight shocks were felt at Corinth yesterday.

All underwriters at Lloyds have agreed at the request of the Foreign Office not to underwrite con-

signments of arms and munitions for China in future.—Reuter.

**"ANNIE LAURIE."****SPLENDID DRAMA OF SCOTLAND.****AT THE QUEEN'S.**

To packed houses yesterday, the fine story of olden Scotland, "Annie Laurie," is being screened at the Queen's Theatre.

Produced by John S. Robertson, and based on the sad episode of the "Massacre of Glencoe," it is a stirring story of the rivalry of the MacDonald and Campbell clans, showing the swishing of swords, the swinging of kilts, and big, broad, brainy Highland lasses in fierce defiance of each other.

In a splendid cast of prominent artists Norman Kerry plays the part of Ian MacDonald, son and heir to the Laird, splendidly supported by Hobart Bosworth as the MacDonald Chieftain. Lillian Gish, noteworthy in many splendid dramas, memorably acts the part of heroine, with Patricia Avery as Enid, in good support.

This funny and laughable side of this grim story is rendered by old Sandy, played by Russell Simpson.

From the opening scene to the coloured presentation of the unity of Ian and Annie, it is a picture that holds the interest, and special merit must be given to the lovely scenery displayed throughout the picture. Special interest is gained through the accompaniment of a piper from the 2nd Batt. K.O.S.B.

May 4—Quarry Bay Dance, at 7.30 p.m.

May 6—Music, Cheer 'O Y.M.C.A., at 7.30 p.m.

May 8—World Theatre; "The White Rose."

May 12—Star Theatre; "Hell Bent For Heaven."

May 14—Whist Drive, Cheer 'O Y.M.C.A., at 7.30 p.m.

May 15—H.K. Jockey Club fourth extra race meeting.

May 18—Eight extra race meetings of the I.R.C.C., Macao.

Lammer's Auction.

Today—At Sales Room, Postage Stamps, 5.15 p.m.

May 2—At Godown No. 18, the H.K. & Kowloon Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, miscellaneous goods, 10.30 a.m.

May 3—At 6 and top floor of 9, Knutsford Terrace, Kimberley-rd, Kowloon, household furniture, 11 a.m.

May 3—At Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1537, Ma Tau Kok, Kowloon, one hut, 6 stables, two litter sheds and two hay stores, 3 p.m.

Meeting.

May 17—Forty-seventh ordinary general meeting of shareholders of the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., at Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's offices, noon.

Miscellaneous.

To-day—Exhibition of pictures, pastel and water-colours, at Messrs. Komor & Komors, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

May 2—H.E. the Governor presents the "Silver Wolf," awarded by Sir R. Baden-Powell to the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave, at Govt. House, 4 p.m.

November 13—Matriculation, Senior and Junior Local exams. at the Hong Kong University.

**ZOUBKOV.****UNWANTED IN FRANCE OR ENGLAND.****COMPANION'S STORY.**

Brussels.—Miss Alice Nyssens, the 34-years-old Belgian blonde, who came from Bonn to Brussels with M. Zoubkov, the Russian husband of Princess Victoria of Schaumburg-Lippe, sister of the ex-Kaiser, after an expulsion order had been issued against him in Germany, has made a statement to a Brussels newspaper.

She referred continually to Zoubkov as "the baron," explaining that, by reason of his descent, he bears the equivalent Russian title. She said that it was her husband, a German, who introduced Zoubkov to the Princess Victoria, and that it was with his consent that she accompanied Zoubkov to Belgium to prepare his voyage to the Congo.

[The Belgian Colonial Office has already announced that it will not grant the necessary permit for this voyage.]

Miss Nyssens is indignant about the stories which have coupled her name with that of Zoubkov. She explained that though she and the Russian are both at the same hotel, her apartment is on the third floor, while that of Zoubkov is on the first.

Problem For "The Baron."

"The baron," she said, "is ill with influenza and I cannot abandon him. The Princess telephones to us every day and has entreated me to remain with him. The baron has been authorised to stay in Belgium until April 4.

"Then where can he go? Not to England or France, for we have already been told that he would be considered undesirable there. He cannot go to Holland, because at Doorn there is an all-powerful personage."

"There remains only the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg," went on Miss Nyssens between her sobs. "The baron and the Princess are still very much in love with each other, and it is only since the Princess has known him that she has tasted the real joys of life."

"Having failed to prevent the marriage, the Nationalists are now doing all they can to break it. The

Berlin, and the motor-cycle accident was really an attempt on his life."

**SHADOWS BEFORE****COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."**

To-day & to-morrow—Queen's Theatre; "Annie Laurie."

To-day—World Theatre; "The Valley of Hell."

To-day—Star Theatre; "A Man's Past."

To-day—Cheer 'O Dance, at Helen May Institute, at 8.30 p.m.

May 1-2—World Theatre; "The Sap."

May 1-2—Star Theatre; "The Manicure Girl."

May 2-5—Queen's Theatre; "The Battles of Coronel and Falkland Islands."

May 3—Dance, "Cheer 'O Y.M.C.A., at 7.30 p.m.

May 3-5—World Theatre; "The White Rose."

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May 4—Quarry Bay Dance, at 7.30 p.m.

May 6—Music, "Cheer 'O Y.M.C.A., at 7.30 p.m.

May 8—World Theatre; "The Snarls."

May 2—Hockey match: Wanderers v. 31st Punjabians, Marina ground, 5.30 p.m.

May 2—Special football match: Winners of the League v. The Rest of the League.

May 2nd—Whist Drive, "Cheer 'O Y.M.C.A., at 7 p.m.

May 5—H.K. Jockey Club fourth extra race meeting.

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**LAWN BOWLS.**

**RECREIO ENTERS 2 TEAMS IN SECOND DIVISION.**

**SEASON'S FIXTURES.**

An extra entry in the second division provided by the Club de Recreio is the feature of the local Lawn Bowls League which commences its season this Saturday, May 5.

All the Clubs which competed last year are again represented, the entries received being seven teams in the first and nine in the second division.

The official fixtures extend to Sept. 1 with no provision made for bad weather, but postponed matches will be rearranged by the Hon. Secretary, Mr. C. J. Tacchi.

**First Division.**

May 5: Kowloon C.C. v. Civil Service C.C.  
Kowloon B.G.C. v. Craigengower C.C.  
Kowloon Docks R.C. v. Police R.C.  
F. Taikoo R.C. 1st v. Taikoo R.C. 2nd.

May 12: Civil Service C.C. v. Club de Recreio "B".  
East Point R.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C.  
Royal H.K.Y.C. v. East Point R.C.  
Taikoo R.C. v. Club de Recreio "B".  
Club de Recreio "A" v. Kowloon C.C.

May 19: Civil Service C.C. v. Club de Recreio "B".  
East Point R.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C.  
Royal H.K.Y.C. v. Kowloon C.C.  
Club de Recreio "A" v. Tai-koo R.C.

May 26: Taikoo R.C. v. Craigengower C.C.  
Club de Recreio "A" v. Civil Service C.C.  
Royal H.K.Y.C. v. Club de Recreio "B".  
Kowloon C.C. v. East Point R.C.

June 2: Royal H.K.Y.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C.  
East Point R.C. v. Civil Service C.C.  
Taikoo R.C. v. Kowloon C.C.  
Craigengower C.C. v. Club de Recreio "B".

June 9: Civil Service C.C. v. Royal H.K.Y.C.  
Kowloon B.G.C. v. Taikoo R.C.  
Club de Recreio "A" v. Craigengower C.C.  
East Point R.C. v. Club de Recreio "B".

June 16: Craigengower C.C. v. Civil Service C.C.  
Taikoo R.C. v. East Point R.C.  
Kowloon B.G.C. v. Kowloon C.C.  
Club de Recreio "B" v. Club de Recreio "A".

June 23: East Point R.C. v. Craigengower C.C.  
Kowloon B.G.C. v. Club de Recreio "A".  
Kowloon C.C. v. Civil Service C.C.  
Royal H.K.Y.C. v. Taikoo R.C.

June 30: Royal H.K.Y.C. v. Club de Recreio "A".  
Craigengower C.C. v. Kowloon C.C.  
F. Club de Recreio "A" v. Craigengower C.C. 1st.

July 7: Civil Service C.C. v. Civil Service C.C.  
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Kowloon C.C. v. Taikoo R.C.

F. Kowloon C.C. 2nd v. Police R.C.

July 28: Kowloon Docks R.C. v. Kowloon C.C.  
Police R.C. v. Civil Service C.C.  
Taikoo R.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C.

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**CLOSING CRUISE.****THE YACHT CLUB REGATTA.****VARIED EVENTS.**

Pride of place in all three rowing events in which they competed was gained by the representatives of the 2nd Batt. Scots Guards at Saturday's closing cruise of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club.

To quote Mr. A. L. Shields, the Club Commodore, there was a good turn-out, there was good water for rowing, some excellent racing, and fast times recorded by the yachts.

A feature of the day was the participation of the Very Rev. A. Swann, M.C., the Dean, at very short notice. He is an old Cambridge rowing Blue.

The Clubhouse at North Point was appropriately decorated for the occasion as in former years. Bunting hung over the entrance. Tables for tea were laid out on the lawn and seats provided to watch the day's sport. The Club cruisers dressed ship and took up positions at the eastern approach to the bay. A fleet of steam launches and Naval craft followed the rowing events.

H.E. the General Officer Commanding (Major-General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G.) was present and Mrs. and Miss Luard. Others noticed were Commodore J. L. Pearson, C.M.G., R.N., and Mrs. Pearson, the Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes, Mr. R. M. Dyer, Mr. L. Mrs. and Miss Dunbar, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Lewis.

**Navy's Appreciation.**  
The Senior Service was represented in force, there being a large turn-out for events for the Royal Navy. Special accommodation and refreshments were provided for the men, these being highly appreciated.

All responsible for the programme carried out their arduous duties to the satisfaction of all; and there was a large number of guests, including ladies, to be attended to.

At the conclusion of the racing, Mr. Shields addressed the gathering.

**Commodore's Speech.**

There was a good turn-out, Mr. Shields said, with good water for rowing, excellent racing and fast times by the yachts.

Before the presentation of the prizes, I wish to refer briefly to the Club's activities during the season," Mr. Shields continued.

"The usual series of Championship Races has been held and you will find the results in the prize list printed in the programme.

Sailing conditions have been fairly good but the Cruiser Classes were unfortunate in having light weather on several occasions necessitating re-sails.

**Service Teams.**

"We have had some very good team racing on Sundays with the following results:

"Club v. Royal Navy, won by Club 270 points to 260.

"The officers and ship's company of the flagship of the First Cruiser Squadron presented a handsome cup on their departure from these waters. This has been named the 'Frobisher Cup' and becomes a Challenge Cup for these annual matches with the Royal Navy.

"We have had two matches with Army teams resulting in a win for each side but the Club leads on the aggregate by 29 points.

**Ladies and Corinthians.**

"The Club team, contrary to their usual custom, defeated the ladies by a comfortable margin, but the ladies are unfortunate in having two boats out of action in the morning race.

The calling of cheers brought a remarkably successful regatta to a close.

**Ladies' Championship.**

"The ladies competing in the Ladies' Championship again presented a cup for race for the Handicap, One Design, Heyward Hays and Guel Classes, and this was won by Mr. Fox in "Boojum," "La Linda" was second and "Diana" third.

The Macao race for the "Potts Challenge Cup" took place during the Christmas holidays. The weather was variable with mostly light winds and the winner was our Rear-Commander, Mr. Rouse.

Butterfield & Swire were second but were nearly caught by the other two which kept company most of the way to finish with a strong burst. First of all, the Electric looked like overhauling B. & S. and then the Naval boat also came along nicely, but B. & S. just managed to take second place. All four crews received a deserved reception after the race.

About a dozen launches with spectators on board watched the whole course to the finish at the mark-boats outside the Club.

**Race for Submarine "Berthon" boats manned by Naval ratings.**

1st: L. 19, 2nd: L. 32, 3rd L. 27. Each boat was rowed by two men with a cox. L. 19 won by several lengths and L. 32 were a good second. L. 27 just beat L. 15 for third place and L. 20 were fifth.

**"Stock Exchange" Cup for Club v. Service fours, distance one mile.**

1st: The Army (who were represented by the 2nd/Scots Guards crew in the first race).

2nd: The R.H.K. Yacht Club.

Bow: G. Dheyle ..... 157  
No. 2: O. Moor ..... 162  
No. 3: J. R. L. Stanton ..... 180

Stroke: G. G. Stopani ..... 138  
Thomson ..... 133  
Cox: I. E. L. Mackay ..... 130

Won by two lengths. To make their victory all the more glorious, the Guardsmen lost their rudder while going out to the starting point and the cox steered with his hands throughout.

In contrast to the first race, the soldiers rowed 32 to the minute with a long stroke. The Club were going only 27 to the minute but moving along nicely. At the ¼ mile, the Army had forged ahead by half a length. They were just a length in front at the ½ mile and the lead had been increased at the ¾ mile mark. The Club crew stuck on gamely and were not disgraced to lose by two lengths to better-trained team.

**Race for Naval whalers manned by Naval ratings, one mile.**

1st: H. M. S. "Titania."  
2nd: H. M. S. "Wild Swan."  
3rd: H. M. S. "Foxglove."

Next in order of finishing were H.M.S. "Bruce," 4th Submarine Flotilla, H.M.S. "Wutherford," H.M.S. "Wishart," H.M.S. "Veteran," H.M.S. "Petersfield," H.M.S. "Durban," H.M.S. "Berwick."

Each boat had five oars and a cox. The "Titania" whaler won very easily. The "Wild Swan" had a thrilling tussle with "Foxglove," being less than a length in front through the last stretch, and finishing on the inside of the inshore markboat. The "Bruce" and the Submarine boats were also close up.

Mr. Shields thanked the officials and sub-committee for their attendance to the many details.

One of the Naval contingent present then called for a "great big clap for the speaker," meeting with immediate response.

Mrs. Shields then distributed the prizes which had been set out on a large table, making an imposing collection of silver and other trophies.

**K.F.C. TENNIS.**  
NEW COURT OPENED ON SATURDAY.  
EXHIBITION GAME.

A large gathering of members of the Kowloon Football Club and their friends gathered at the Club's ground on Saturday afternoon for the ceremony of the opening of their new hard tennis court which has been laid at the rear of the Club house.

The opening ceremony was performed by Mrs. Bond who was accompanied by her husband. Amongst the others present were Mr. and Mrs. R. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Clemo, Mr. and Mrs. C. Atkinson, Mrs. Murphy, Miss T. Murphy, Mr. O. E. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bell, Mr. P. J. Hall, Miss Tollan, Mr. G. Hedley, Mr. A. W. Eastman, Mr. G. B. Slipper, Mr. C. Owen, Mr. and Mrs. G. White, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Mackintosh, Mr. F. C. Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Keates, Mr. T. Bradford, Mr. and Mrs. A. Bliss, Miss E. Bliss, Mr. and Mrs. Alkins, Mr. W. E. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Millard, Mr. R. Vergele, Mr. J. Beach, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Robertson, Mr. E. Shanks and Mr. and Mrs. J. McElvane.

Tea was served on the grounds during the afternoon.

Mr. R. Hall.  
Prior to Mrs. C. Bond declaring the Court open, Mr. R. Hall, President of the Kowloon Football Club, addressed the gathering as follows:

It gives me great pleasure to welcome so large a congregation of friends here-to-day to witness the opening ceremony of the Club's new tennis court, and trust you will all have a most enjoyable time.

The new court on this enclosure indicates an advancement in the Club's progress in sporting activities. Up to the present the club has been first and last a Football Club, so that when the football season ended the club had nothing further in the way of sport to offer its members and lady friends. To-day the club is in a position to provide sport all the year round. The start is small but, given reasonable support, the Committee will see that a further court is forthcoming at an early date.

Compliments.

I should like to express the thanks of the Club to Mr. E. Cock, our past President, and his good lady, who are unfortunately not able to be with us this afternoon. Mr. Cock took an active part in the Club's welfare during the initial stages of its existence and it is largely due to his good offices that the Club enjoyed its strong position to-day. The Club owes a debt of gratitude to the Government who have always given a sympathetic ear to our requests from time to time, and it is incumbent upon the members of the Club to show their appreciation of the concession made by utilising such to the fullest.

It is to Messrs. Vergele, Beach and Smith that the Club is indebted for the preparation of plans and the supervision of work in connection with the court and fencing arrangement, and we compliment these gentlemen on the gratifying results attained. Arrangements in connection with the opening ceremony were made by Messrs. Clemo and Murphy, to whom credit is given for having done some to so successful an issue.

Chinese Friends.

An exhibition game has been arranged between Messrs. Ho and Yew, and Messrs. Wheeler and Millard, and I feel sure we will all enjoy watching these young giants perform and take this opportunity of welcoming our Chinese friends to the Club, and thanking them for being so good as to come to the mainland and entertain us.

I wish to thank Mrs. Bond in advance for gracing the proceedings with her presence and officiating in the capacity of opening the court to-day. I have much pleasure in requesting Mrs. Bond to do so.

Court Opened.

Mrs. Bond then walked on to the tennis court with a racket and ball, and after serving the ball across the court, formally declared it open, amid loud applause from those present. Master F. Clemo then presented her with a bouquet in a silver vase.

Mr. Bond then expressed thanks on behalf of his wife for the pleasure accorded her in asking her to perform the opening ceremony. He also thanked the Club for the beautiful vase, and said he was sure it would be one of his wife's most treasured possessions.

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Following the opening of the court, a doubles exhibition match arranged by Mr. C. F. Lee of the Chinese Recreation Club, to whom the K.F.C.'s thanks were expressed, was played between Messrs. Ho Ka-lau and Yow Man-kit (C.R.C.) and Messrs. Wheeler and Millard (K.F.C.).

The game, although it went to

**ST. PATRICK'S.**  
CATHOLIC CLUB CONCERT.

**EXCELLENT PROGRAMME.**

There was a good "house" at St. Patrick's Catholic Club on Saturday night when another of the institution's monthly concerts, which are continuously gaining in popularity, was presented.

From the moment one met "Chris" Columbus and "Pecker" Martini, the breezy door attendants, one felt that one was in for a good time, and this impression was more than justified by the programme of entertainment which contained no fewer than 20 excellent items, the variety of which was very gratifying.

Beside the Club's Concert Troupe which comprised Mrs. G. Gilmour, and Messrs. A. Sculthorpe, A. Turner, F. Woodward, H. Hicks, R. Eccles and T. S. Brooks, many friends, well-known local amateur concert performers, assisted by contributing instrumental and vocal turns which went a long way to help make the concert a success.

The Troupe.

Rev. Father A. Riganti and Professor E. Gaudi, both accomplished pianists, offered a piano duet as an overture, and then the Troupe presented the opening chorus "Come to the Show," after which items, all of them very pleasing, followed each other with as little break as the changes of scene permitted.

Very fine features of the concert were the pretty scenes on the stage and the excellent lighting effects, for which credit is due to Mr. A. W. J. Gilmour, the stage manager.

Contributions by members of the Troupe were as follow:—

Song, "Meadow Lark," by R. Eccles.

Concerted, "We are all getting older together," by the Troupe.

Duet, "Moonlight and Roses," by Mrs. Gilmour and W. R. Wilkinson.

Humorous Song, "Pte. Bertie Bunter," by A. Sculthorpe.

"Horace and Maurice in Comedy Duet," by R. Eccles and A. Sculthorpe.

A Sketch, "The Singing Lesson," by the Troupe.

(Cast: Pupils, Mrs. Gilmour and A. Sculthorpe; Professor, A. Turner; Stage Manager, F. Woodward; Pianist, H. Hicks; Programme Seller, R. Eccles.)

Chorus, "Here we are," by the Troupe.

Duet, "Behave," by Mrs. Gilmour and R. Eccles.

Concerted, "Bingo Farm," by the Troupe.

"The Prisoner's Song," by W. R. Wilkinson.

Sketch, "The Tube," by the Troupe.

Finale, "Good Night," by the Troupe.

All the items were excellent and very much enjoyed, but particular mention must be made of the duets in which Mrs. Gilmour took part, especially "Moonlight and Roses" in which the clever stage effect with a full moon in the centre of a subdued outdoor scene was greatly appreciated.

The two sketches, too, were very good, whilst the comedy items by "Horace and Maurice" were very laughable.

Father and Son.

The following local amateur artists contributed items to an altogether bumper programme:—

Mr. J. Braga, violin solos "Indian Love Call" (R. Friml) and "Souvenir" (Didur).

Messrs. E. and G. d'Aquino, vocal duets "Solenne in quest'ora" (G. Verdi) and "Crucifix" (Faure).

These two fine singers, father and son, are well known to local concert audiences, but this was the first time that they appeared in a duet together, and the effect was very pleasing, particularly in "Crucifix" which was well suited to their powerful voices and their style of singing. Mr. G. d'Aquino also gave a selected song, as a solo contribution.

Mr. N. U. Botelho contributed two cello solos in his usual effective style.

the Chinese pair by two straight sets (6-2, 7-5), was quite interesting, and many fine rallies were witnessed. After taking the first set rather easily for the loss of only two games, the Chinese were hard pressed by the Kowloon opponents in the second, and the set had to go into 12 games before the visitors, who were severely stretched, took it by the narrow margin of two games.

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The Chinese "Sauke Guld" has announced that "prices" have been increased.

**MARTYR SCOT.**  
FIRST VICTIM OF THE REFORMATION.

**400 YEARS AGO.**

Outside the gate of the ancient St. Salvator's College in St Andrews there is wrought in the causeway of the street the monogram P. H. The letters indicate the spot where Patrick Hamill, the young Scottish noble scholar, and reformer, suffered death for his faith by being burned at the stake on Saturday, February 29, 1528. Here the historic event was recalled on February 29 by a ceremony, with which there were associated all the Protestant Churches of Scotland, represented by their moderators and presidents or deputies; the Universities of Scotland, represented by their Principals or by their Professors of Ecclesiastical History; the Magistrate and Town Council of St. Andrews, and the Senatus of the University of St. Andrews. The solemn commemoration was attended by a large representation of the citizens of St. Andrews and by the students of the University. It was an impressive ceremony rendered dramatically reminiscent by the chain of coincidence—that, as one of the speakers put it, it was "at this spot, on this date, and at this hour, 400 years ago," that the reformer had suffered death at the stake. After the open-air ceremony the official participants in the celebration, who wore academic and civic robes, marched in procession to the Town Hall, where a public meeting was held, under the chairmanship of the Very Rev. George Galloway, Principal of St. Mary's College, St. Andrews, reported the "Glasgow Herald."

**The First Martyr.**

The brief devotional service held at the actual locus of the martyrdom was preceded by a statement by the Rev. Alex. G. Dunlop, St. Andrews, who in the course of it said that the event they commemorated was one of almost incalculable national importance and of far-reaching influence.

It was the decisive inauguration of the great movement which so profoundly affected the course of Scottish history, and had such an enlightening, ennobling, and purifying influence on Scottish life and character. The charge laid against Patrick Hamilton was that of "being found in many ways inflamed with heresy, disputing, holding and maintaining divers heresies of Martin Luther and his followers, repugnant to our faith."

Asked by Major Willson what he had to say with regard to the charges against him, the accused said that he was not aware of the nature of the medicine which his friend had given to him. He (Mr. Turner) was glad that the accused had not made that statement on oath, as although he was defending the accused, he himself found it hard to believe that. Therefore he could not press his Worship to believe it, especially as besides the drugs, the accused had the piece of paper which gave particulars of commission relative to sales.

Major Willson: Either your friend had lied to you, or you knew what the contents were.—He mislead me.

Continuing, the accused said that as he had never committed such an offence before, he would ask his Worship to pardon him this time.

Questioned as to why he had brought the drugs to Hong Kong, the accused said that he had to come here to change ship for Soochow, as there were no direct boats between Canton and Soochow.

Relying to Mr. Turner, the accused said that he now lived as a gentleman of independent means at Soochow. Previously he had been the Prefect of the prefecture of Chiuchow.

**An Ex-Mandarin.**

Addressing the Magistrate, Mr. Turner said that in a statement to him, the accused had also said that he had formerly been a Mandarin under the Manchu dynasty and was the Commander of Hunan.

Asked as to his view of the case,

**DRUG TRAFFIC.**  
"EX-MANDARIN" BEFORE THE MAGISTRATE.

**FINED \$2,000.**

Yeong Chung-ching, who earlier in the week was remanded on charge of importation and possession of 16 grains of morphine and 50 grains of heroin, made a second appearance at the Central Magistracy on Saturday before Major C. Willson, who after hearing the circumstances of the case imposed a fine of \$2,000.

Mr. L. D. Turner, for the defence, said that at the last hearing, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, he had pleaded "not guilty" on behalf of the accused, because he had not had the opportunity then of seeing his client for more than two minutes, and of course, he did not know the circumstances of the case.

Having had an interview with the accused since the adjournment of the case, he would plead guilty to one of the two offences, and as the two charges related to the same set of circumstances, Mr. Turner suggested that the other charge should not be proceeded with.

Mr. H. A. Taylor, Government Monopolist and Analyst, suggested that the charge of importation be considered as it was the more serious of the two.

Mr. Turner said that he did not mind which charge the prosecution process with.

Proceeding, Mr. Turner commented that the quantities of the drugs found on the accused were small—only 16 grains of morphine and 50 grains of heroin. The accused, who spoke Mandarin, would like to make a statement to the Court, after which, he (Mr. Turner), with his Worship's permission, would like to ask the accused a few questions with a view to bringing out his past career.

**Familiar Story.**

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**TRUCK SMASHED.**  
COLLIDED WITH TRAM AND DID DAMAGE.

**FOKIS FINED.**

At the Central Magistracy, on Saturday morning, two folks' appeared on a charge of causing damage to tram car No. 20, on Friday afternoon at 4.45 pm, when their hand truck No. 250 smashed damage to the extent of \$150.

The accident occurred in the vicinity of Praya East and Henrystreet, the truck at the time carrying a load of oil, the weight of which is estimated at 300 quarts. All the folks absconded after the collision, and when the Police arrived other coolies had to be obtained to remove the truck.

In the subsequent search, two folks were found trying to steal some of the oil. They proved to be two of the lot that ran away.

Both the accused admitted the charge, and pleading "guilty," were fined \$10, with the alternative of 10 days' hard labour.

Mr. Taylor said that the accused came ashore carrying in his handkerchief done up in a parcel.

In this parcel were two bottles containing the drugs forming the subjects of the charges against the accused. In addition to the two bottles, there was also in the parcel a piece of paper (produced with translation) to which the prosecution attached great importance.

Obviously, Mr. Taylor added, the drugs which the accused was carrying were samples. The accused must have known that what he had with him was illicit stuff because he objected to being searched by the Revenue Officer who approached him.

**"Hard To Believe."**

Mr. Turner then addressed his Worship and said that he had heard his client tell the Court that he was not aware of the nature of the medicine which his friend had given to him. He (Mr. Turner) was glad that the accused had not made that statement on oath, as although he was defending the accused, he himself found it hard to believe that. Therefore he could not press his Worship to believe it, especially as besides the drugs, the accused had the piece of paper which gave particulars of commission relative to sales.

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## ROYAL VISITORS.

### DUKE AND DUCHESS TO VISIT BRIGHTON.

#### BUSY PROGRAMME.

Brighton.—The Duke and Duchess of York are to visit Brighton on May 30 to take part in the ceremony of dedicating the enlarged boundaries of the town, and also to inaugurate the new wing of the children's hospital, which is the local memorial to Queen Alexandra. According to the provisional programme, they will leave Victoria at 10.5 in the morning and arrive at Brighton at 11.24.

They will drive through the streets to a point about five miles north, where the new boundary crosses the main London-road, and there the official welcome and dedication ceremony will take place. They will be entertained to luncheon in the Dome by the Mayor, Councillor Charles Kingston, and afterwards will proceed to the hospital for the opening ceremony there. They will then drive to the Devil's Dyke, recently purchased by the Corporation, and the Duke will dedicate the estate to the use of the public for ever.

The Royal Highnesses afterwards will leave for Worthing, where they are to open a convalescent home, but will return to Brighton and leave for Victoria at 5.35. During their drive in the morning, to the new boundary they will pass through Preston Park, where the school children of the town will be massed to greet them.

#### Week of Festivities.

The Royal visit is the chief event in a series of Greater Brighton celebrations that will last throughout Whitsun week. Invitations to take part in the festivities are being sent to the mayors and town clerks of all the county boroughs of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and to the mayors and town clerks of the Sussex boroughs.

A pageant tracing the history of Brighton from the earliest times is being arranged for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. It will be given thrice daily in the Preston Park Cricket Ground, and it is expected that something approaching 1,000 performers will take part. There is also to be a horse show, a mounted gymkhana, and a torch-light tattoo in Preston Park on Thursday and Friday.

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In these days proposals are sandwiched between dancing the Charleston and swallowing the soufflé and all the romance is lost. It is a great mistake, for when the fires of life burn low it is beautiful to be able to look back upon one's proposals as though one were reading a fairy book of romance. —"Daily Mail."

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I can remember a certain garden from where you could see the snowy slopes of the Himalayas stretching up into eternity. There were little yellow Persian roses growing everywhere and great sheets of irises. The little man who owned the garden had a bald head and a protuberant waist, but he had the soul of a poet. He used to say the loveliest things in a beautiful voice to all the women who visited him, and in the end, he married a girl who was as beautiful as a dream with five thousand years of her own. I am sure it was because he arranged his proposal so romantically that she forgot everything except the distant snows and the little yellow roses.

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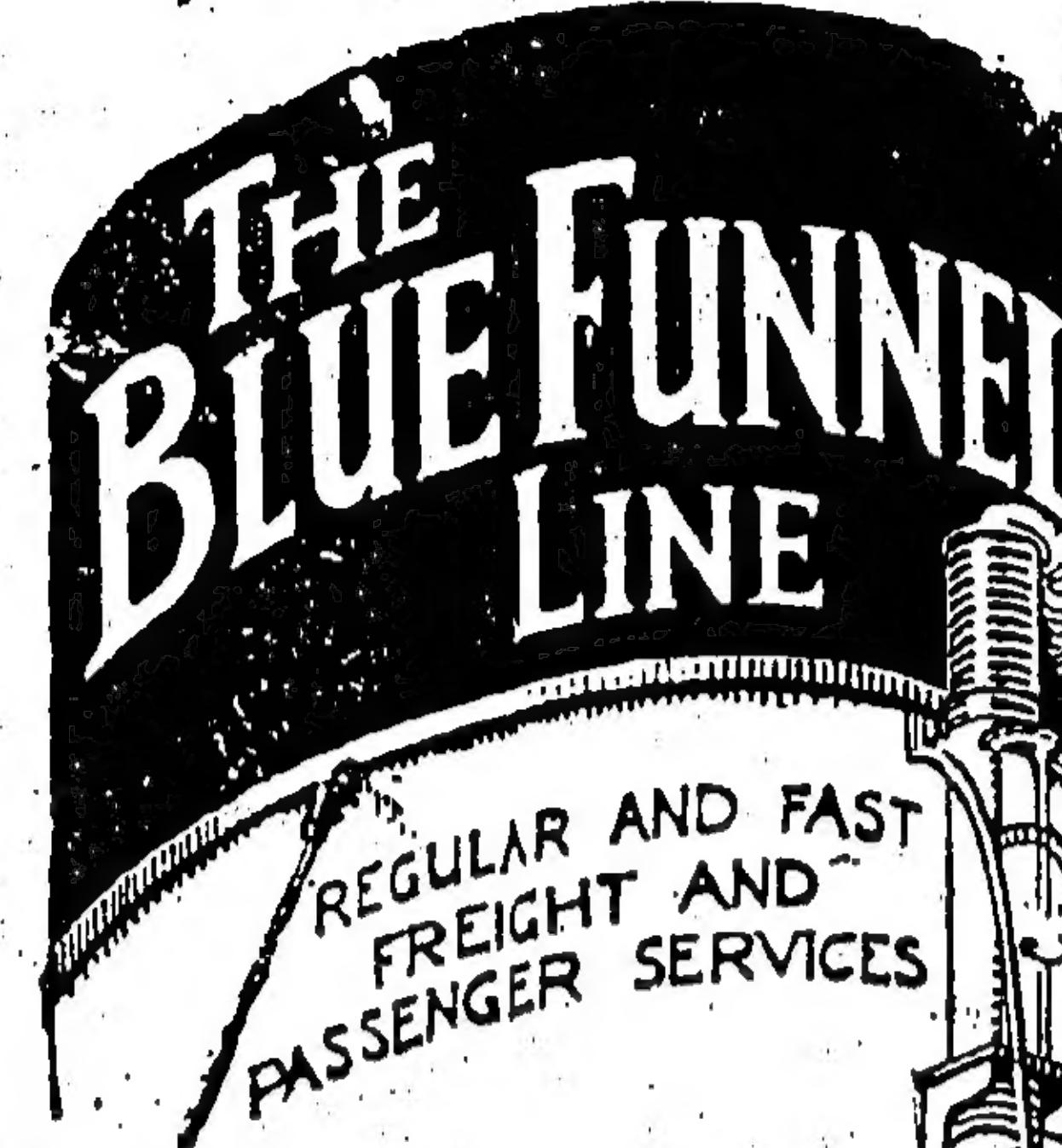
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From	To	Per
MONDAY, APRIL 30.		
Shanghai	Linan	
TUESDAY, MAY 1.		
Straits	Alipore	
Japan	Arafura	
WEDNESDAY, MAY 2.		
THURSDAY, MAY 3.		
Europe via Nagapaten letters only London,		
5th April	Hosang	
SATURDAY, MAY 5.		
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Monroe	
MONDAY, MAY 7.		
Australia and Manila	Tanda	
Manila	Empress of Russia	
MONDAY, MAY 14.		
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Empress of Asia	

OUTWARD MAIIS.

For	To	Per
MONDAY, APRIL 30.		
*Manila and parcels for Germany		
via Hamburg	Carl Legien	3.30 p.m.
Amoy	Szechuan	4.30 p.m.
Saigon	Hwang Cheng	4.30 p.m.
San Shui and Wuchow	Kong Ning	4.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. McKinley	4.30 p.m.
TUESDAY, MAY 1.		
Fort Bayard, Hohow and Haiphong	Song Bo	8.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu and		
*San Francisco—due San Francisco, 25th May		
Swarbow, Amoy and Foochow		
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A.,		
C. & S. America and *Europe via		
Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C.,		
21st May and Europe via Siberia.		
Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15		
p.m. Letters 5 p.m.	President Taft	
WEDNESDAY, MAY 2.		
Swatow and Amoy	Van Heutz	9.30 a.m.
Swatow	Yat Shing	10.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via		
Siberia	Alipore	10.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius &		
South Africa	Mexico Maru	1.30 p.m.
Java via Batavia	Tjikarang	2.30 p.m.
THURSDAY, MAY 3.		
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Deli Maru	8.30 a.m.
FRIDAY, MAY 4.		
Hohow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Menado Maru	8.30 a.m.

WAR LOAN.

Two Instalments From France.

IN FINANCIAL YEAR.

£8,000,000 To Be Paid To British Exchequer.

London, Yesterday. A notification has been received from the French Government that they have arranged to pay the British Government in respect of the French war debt to Great Britain during the financial year of 1928, a sum of £8,000,000 in two equal instalments, on September 15, 1928, and March 15, 1929.—British Wireless Service.

SINGAPORE BASE.

TOWAGE OF WORLD'S LARGEST FLOATING DOCK.

THE CANAL TRIP.

London, April 28. In six weeks the world's biggest floating dock will leave the Tyne on a four months' voyage of 8,600 miles to Singapore. When this huge floating workshop, which was built in ten months at the Wallsend yard of Messrs. Swan, Hunter & Wigham Richardson, reaches its destination it will represent a magnificent achievement. The task of towing it will be almost equal to that of construction.

For the purpose of towing the dock will be split into two parts, made up as follows: The three centre sections, which contain the heaviest machinery, will be fitted with a bulkhead at each end, making one craft. The two ends will then be fitted to each other, making another craft. Ahead of each section two huge tugs will pull while behind another two will guide.

When the two portions arrive at the Suez Canal that waterway will be closed to all traffic for the weekend while the dock, with a margin of about three feet at either side, is navigated through. When the dock arrives at Singapore and is put together it will require a depth of seventy feet of water, and will be capable of holding easily ships of the size of the "Mauretania," which, when in dock, would have thirty feet to spare at bow and stern.

The dock has a lifting capacity of 50,000 tons. It is 855 feet long, 172 feet wide, and 75 feet deep. The pumping plant can deal with 30,000 tons of water an hour.—British Wireless Service.

GERMAN DYES.

BIG TRUST HAS GREATLY INCREASED TURNOVER.

WHAT IS FORESHADOWED.

Berlin, April 29. A twenty per cent. increase in turnover is recorded in the annual report of the Dye Trust. The most marked developments are in dyes, benzine, artificial silks, and a process for liquifying coal. The report foresees an output of 700,000 tons of nitrate next year.—Reuter.

A cable of April 25 stated that the Directors of the German Dye Trust will propose to the general meeting of shareholders, to be held on May 24, a dividend of 12 per cent. last year. The net profits total 100,812,000,000 marks, compared with 68,718,000,000 marks a year ago.]

ARTIFICIAL SILK.

EXPORTS' INCREASE REVEALED AT MANCHESTER.

PIECE GOODS' DEMAND.

London, April 29. The Manchester Chamber of Commerce has revealed that there was a remarkable expansion in the export of cotton and artificial silk mixed piece goods during the first three months of the year.

The exports of 26,000,000 square yards are double last year's figures. Nearly a quarter of the total trade has been in artificial silk, mostly bought by Canada, the Dutch Indies and Bombay.—Reuter.

When people begin to borrow your clothes you begin to have confidence in your tailor.—Mr. Phillip Guedalia.

EGYPT.

Fresh Turmoil Occurs.

EGYPTIAN OBSTINACY.

Great Britain Presents A Strong Note To Cairo.

London, Yesterday. Malta, Yesterday. It is persistently rumoured that His Majesty's "Waspire" and "Valliant" and some cruisers have been ordered to Egypt and are leaving to-morrow. The authorities neither confirm nor deny the rumour.

London, Yesterday. The situation regarding Egypt is "electrical." Following Malta's cable come reports from Cairo that Britain



The most recent likeness of King Fuad, of Egypt, taken during his late visit to Paris, has presented a strong Note to the Egyptian Government.

To-morrow the Public Assemblies Bill, which has already passed

OVERCAST AND RAIN.

South winds, moderate, squally, generally overcast; some rain, is the official weather forecast until noon tomorrow.

The anticyclone is now central near the Bonins. Depressions are shown to the North of Hokkaido, to the west of Shanghai and over Tongking.

MR. JAMES McNEILL.

AT PRESENT IN A LONDON HOSPITAL.

NOT DANGEROUSLY ILL.

London, Yesterday.

Mr. James McNeill, Governor-General of Irish Free State, is at present in Westminster Hospital, London. At the beginning of March he underwent a slight operation in a nursing home in London, after which he returned to his duties in Ireland. It is explained in an official statement that Mr. McNeill is undergoing a course of after-treatment in connection with his recent operation. He is not dangerously ill, as has been stated, and hopes to be back in Ireland in a few weeks. His medical advisers are satisfied that he is making good progress.—British Wireless Service.

M. BRIAND.

H.M. THE KING ENQUIRES AS TO HIS HEALTH.

London, Yesterday.

H.M. King George has sent to Lord Crewe, the British Ambassador in Paris, the following telegram: "Will you please convey to M. Briand my concern on hearing of his illness and my satisfaction at learning from the newspapers that he is better and my hope for his speedy recovery."—British Wireless Service.

the corresponding measure last July.

The aggregate vote was 549 compared with 650 last July. This decrease of 101 votes was divided almost equally between the clergy and laity. In the House of Laity 181 voted for and 163 against. In the House of Laity 181 voted for and 163 against. This gives a total of 896 for and 153 against. The measure has thus passed by an aggregate majority of 253 as compared with the majority of 384 given by the Assembly to

DECREASED MAJORITY FOR NEW MEASURE.

THE NEXT STEP.

London, April 29. A further important stage in the progress of the Prayer Book measure was passed yesterday, when the Church Assembly gave its final approval to the measure, in the form in which the Convocations had already agreed to it. This means that the measure will be submitted to Parliament at an early date.

The Archbishop of Canterbury declared the figures as follows: Of

the Bishops 32 voted for the measure and 2 against. 183 of the Clergy were in favour and 63 against.

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THE CRITICS.

The Chancellor Replies.

BASIC INDUSTRIES.

Mr. Churchill Adds A Few Important Points.

London, Yesterday. Mr. Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, replied in a speech at Newcastle, to criticisms of the proposals contained in his Budget speech for relating to depressed basic industries from the burden of local taxation. He declared:

"We have launched our advance against what I call the Hindenburg Line, a threefold line having the triple entrenchments of unemployment, trade depression and local taxation muddle."

Agriculture, coal, cotton, iron and steel, engineering and shipbuilding were vital means by which the wages of the vast majority of wage-earners and breadwinners were provided. Those industries were in difficulties at the present time.

He did not propose to give favour to any particular industry but if any industry showed that its natural activities were being curtailed, removal of its burden of taxation was not a favour but a long delayed and necessary act of justice.

The local taxation of depressed manufacturing industries, which he had mentioned, would be reduced in October, 1929, of average by three-quarters and that of agricultural producers would be abolished entirely.

The products of heavy industries could only be carried by railways and railways would be relieved from local taxation, so that they could help heavy industries by lower charges.

Mr. Churchill recognised the sacrifice which owners of motor vehicles would be called upon to make in paying a tax on imported petrol, which would contribute to local taxation relief. He mentioned that the tax on petrol has also another object. This was to encourage scientific attention of oil from coal in England. If that were done he said it would renew vast economic advantages which this country had derived in the nineteenth century from the position of its marvellous coalfields.—British Wireless Service.

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